

Application for the Sparks Rotary Scholarship

To be eligible to apply for the scholarship, you must:

- a) Be a graduating senior from one of the area high schools
- b) Provide acceptance letter and confirm your plans to attend accredited college or trade school.
- c) Return completed application, available **April 1, 2022**, to Scholarship Committee by **April 30, 2022 at 5 p.m.**

The scholarship award will be based on:

- a) Merit based on grades in high school, test scores, courses taken, etc.
- b) Extracurricular activities as described on application;
- c) Participation in Rotary projects such as speech contest, music contest, Rotary Business Achievements, Rotary Youth Leadership Award, Interact Club, Rotary Youth Exchange;
- d) Personal statement of objectives and goals (not to exceed 400 words)

The Scholarship Committee will review your completed application and attachments. Personal interviews may be conducted by the Scholarship Committee, at their discretion, to make final selection for scholarship award.

Scholarship awards will be between \$250 and \$1,000.

To be considered, you must return the completed application and all requested supplemental information by **April 30, 2022** to:

The Sparks Rotary Scholarship Committee
1690 Corleone Drive, Sparks, NV, 89434

Please direct questions to David Read at david_read@sbcglobal.net or 775 857-4694. Thank you.

The Sparks Rotary Scholarship Committee does not discriminate based on gender, race, religion, or creed.

Sparks Rotary Scholarship Application:

Must be returned to mailing address listed at bottom by **April 30, 2022 at 5 p.m.** Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. We will only be accepting the first 5 applications from each school and a total of 25 applications so do not waste any time getting the application back to us. Please type or print legibly.

Full Name	_____	Social Security No.	_____		
Address	_____		_____	_____	_____
	Street		City	State	Zip
Home Phone	_____	Cell Phone	_____	Email	_____
Graduating From	_____	Cumulative GPA	_____		
SAT Scores	_____	ACT Scores	_____		

Please attach transcript from School. Please attach copy of SAT or ACT scores.

College, University, or Trade School Information:

1 st Choice	_____	Tuition:	_____
2 nd Choice	_____	Tuition:	_____

Please attach letter of acceptance from college, university, or trade school.

Other scholarships or financial aid applied for: _____

Please attach a personal statement of goals and objectives, not to exceed 400 words.

Please fill out the attached extra-curricular activities page for all four years.

We certify that the information contained in this application and any attached information is accurate and true. If requested, we agree to provide supporting or additional information to the Scholarship Committee of the Rotary Club of Sparks, NV. If awarded a scholarship, we agree to allow the Rotary Club of Sparks to use the student's name and photograph.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

The attachments requested are a required part of the application, and your application will not be considered if they are not included with the application. You may provide one additional page for supplemental information on extracurricular activities, etc. and up to three letters of recommendation if you choose. This supplemental information and letters of recommendation are not required but highly encouraged.

Return to: Sparks Rotary Scholarship Committee, 1690 Corleone Dr. Sparks, NV 89434

Contact: David Read at david_read@sbcglobal.net or (775) 857-4694

Extra-Curricular Activities

Freshman Year:

Student Council Position Held	_____				
Clubs:	_____				
Community Service:	_____				
Sports:	_____				
Activities:	_____				
Awards:	_____				
Leadership Positions:	_____				
Work:	_____				
Rotary Functions (select all that apply):	<input type="checkbox"/> RYLA	<input type="checkbox"/> FBLA	<input type="checkbox"/> Speech Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Music Contest	
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Reed Track & Field	<input type="checkbox"/> Interact	<input type="checkbox"/> RYE	<input type="checkbox"/> Other(s):	_____
Any Other Activities:	_____				

Sophomore Year:

Student Council Position Held	_____				
Clubs:	_____				
Community Service:	_____				
Sports:	_____				
Activities:	_____				
Awards:	_____				
Leadership Positions:	_____				
Work:	_____				
Rotary Functions (select all that apply):	<input type="checkbox"/> RYLA	<input type="checkbox"/> FBLA	<input type="checkbox"/> Speech Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Music Contest	
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Reed Track & Field	<input type="checkbox"/> Interact	<input type="checkbox"/> RYE	<input type="checkbox"/> Other(s):	_____
Any Other Activities:	_____				

Junior Year

Student Council Position Held	_____				
Clubs:	_____				
Community Service:	_____				
Sports:	_____				
Activities:	_____				
Awards:	_____				
Leadership Positions:	_____				
Work:	_____				
Rotary Functions (select all that apply):	<input type="checkbox"/> RYLA	<input type="checkbox"/> FBLA	<input type="checkbox"/> Speech Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Music Contest	
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Reed Track & Field	<input type="checkbox"/> Interact	<input type="checkbox"/> RYE	<input type="checkbox"/> Other(s):	_____
Any Other Activities:	_____				

Senior Year

Student Council Position Held	_____				
Clubs:	_____				
Community Service:	_____				
Sports:	_____				
Activities:	_____				
Awards:	_____				
Leadership Positions:	_____				
Work:	_____				
Rotary Functions (select all that apply):	<input type="checkbox"/> RYLA	<input type="checkbox"/> FBLA	<input type="checkbox"/> Speech Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Music Contest	
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Reed Track & Field	<input type="checkbox"/> Interact	<input type="checkbox"/> RYE	<input type="checkbox"/> Other(s):	_____
Any Other Activities:	_____				

Scholarship Parameters

The following system for picking scholarship winners was designed to be fair above all else. It was also designed to pick winners that were most likely to be a Rotary member in the future. To achieve these goals we have designed a weighted matrix that puts more weight on Rotary involvement, Leadership involvement and Grades. The matrix consists of 23 different categories that applicants were graded on and the parameters of each category are listed below. For example, in 2020, we had a total of 7 applicants so if the category was a competitive category the top person would earn 15 points, second would receive 14 points and so on. In some cases where the category was weighted more the top applicant would receive 30 points and so on.

1. Order of applications: 15 points for the first application returned to Rotary, 14 for the second and so on.
2. Weighted GPA: 30 points for top GPA, 28 for second and so on.
3. ACT: Actual points on ACT were used (If SAT was taken then the test score was computed into an ACT score)
4. Letters of Recommendation: 5 points each with a maximum of 15 points.
5. Student Council: 20 points for President
15 points for Vice President
10 points for Secretary/Treasurer
*Points are per year per office
6. Honors Diploma: 20 points
7. Clubs: 1 point per club per year
8. Community Service: 2 points per service
9. Sports: 1 point per sport per year
10. Activities: 1 point per activities per year
11. Awards: 2 points per award
12. Leadership: 5 points for each leadership position per year
13. Personal Statement: top statement 30 points, second 28 and so on
14. Work Experience: 3 points per year of work
15. RYLA: 25 points
16. FBLA/ABO: 5 points per year
17. Speech Contest: 5 points per year
18. Music Contest: 5 points per year
19. Reed Track and Field Meet: 5 points per year
20. Interact: 20 points per year
21. RYE: 150 points
22. Misc.: Anything not mentioned in previous list. Points are discretionary
23. Overall Quality of Application: 15 points for best, 14 for second and so on.
This is judged on completeness, punctuation, grammar and overall application.